

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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LAUREL HILBERT, *on behalf of himself and all others*  
*similarly situated,*

Plaintiff,

-v-

HOTUSA GROUP,

Defendant.  
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24-CV-9926 (JMF)

ORDER

JESSE M. FURMAN, United States District Judge:

Plaintiff alleges that Defendant's website is not accessible to blind and visually impaired customers and, thus, violates Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), 42 U.S.C. § 12181 *et seq.* In the Court's experience, cases involving such claims almost always settle, often even before the initial pretrial conference. To that end, by separate Order to be entered today, **the Court is referring this case to the assigned Magistrate Judge for General Pretrial Purposes, including settlement. To be clear, the referral does *not* encompass any dispositive motions, which will be handled by the undersigned in the normal course.**

SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 2, 2025  
New York, New York

  
JESSE M. FURMAN  
United States District Judge